

Senate Resolution 104 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 104

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1 A Resolution to preserve habeas corpus and civil
2 liberties.

3 WHEREAS, one of our most fundamental rights as
4 American citizens is to be free from unreasonable
5 detention without due process of law, a right afforded
6 to us by our founding fathers and guaranteed to us by
7 over two centuries of sacrifice by our men and women in
8 the armed forces whom we daily recognize and honor; and

9 WHEREAS, on behalf of the citizens of Iowa, the
10 Senate opposes any and all laws, regulations, and
11 executive orders, which amount to an overreach of the
12 federal government and which effectively take away
13 civil liberties; and

14 WHEREAS, in accordance with the Constitution of the
15 State of Iowa, Article III, section 32, all members
16 of the General Assembly are mandated to "support the
17 Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution
18 of the State of Iowa,"; and

19 WHEREAS, the members of the Senate believe that any
20 laws, regulations, or executive orders going against
21 habeas corpus or the civil liberties of Iowa citizens
22 granted under the Constitution of the United States
23 and Bill of Rights are invalid and should not be
24 recognized; NOW THEREFORE,

25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate urges
26 the members of the United States Congress to resist
27 any attempt to curtail or restrict the right of due
28 process and the right to habeas corpus as guaranteed in

1 the Bill of Rights and the Constitution of the United
2 States and to repeal those provisions of the federal
3 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012
4 which threaten those rights; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an official copy of
6 this Resolution be transmitted to the President of
7 the United States, the Secretary of the United States
8 Department of Defense, and to members of the Iowa
9 Congressional delegation.